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SUBJECT: CENTER LANE Mission (U)

ISSUE: To provide the ACSI with information on the development of the CENTER LANE mission.

FACTS:

1. (S/CL-1/NOFORN) CENTER LANE: A Special Access Program enhancing intelligence collection and OPSEC operations with psychoenergetics.
2. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) MISSION (1978-1982): Establish a program to examine potential use of psychoenergetics for intelligence purposes with initial emphasis on remote viewing, specifically:
 - a. Establish remote viewing training programs utilizing specially selected INSCOM personnel.
 - b. Establish remote viewing intelligence collection techniques.
 - c. Establish a mechanism for responding to intelligence collection requirements so that data produced by remote viewing is quickly and efficiently used.

Comment: The philosophy behind this mission was to see if responsible, level headed, Army personnel could replicate remote viewing results reported by SRI International and other reputable labs in the greater accademic community.

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3. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) MISSION (1983-Present): Conduct a psychoenergetic intelligence collection and counterintelligence program, specifically:

a. Select and train qualified personnel in state-of-the-art psychoenergetic intelligence collection and counterintelligence techniques.

b. Conduct psychoenergetic intelligence collection and counterintelligence operations.

c. Expand operational capabilities and training beyond the confines of remote viewing into the fields of psychoenergetic communication and psychokinesis.

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SUBJECT: CENTER LANE Operational Accomplishments (U)

ISSUE: (U) To provide the ACSI with statistical and narrative information on CENTER LANE operations.

FACTS:

1. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Total number of projects from November 1981 to February 1984: 31
 2. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Number of projects rated by sponsor as having intelligence value: 17
 3. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Number of projects rated by sponsor as having no intelligence value: 3
 4. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Number of projects reporting information not verifiable by the sponsor: 1
 5. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Number of projects without evaluations from the sponsor: 3
 6. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Number of ongoing projects: 7
- (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Inclosed is a summary of the 31 projects listed by project number, task, and value of information obtained.

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SUBJECT: CENTER LANE Approval Procedures (U)

ISSUE: (U) To provide the ACSI with CENTER LANE approval history to include human use approval.

FACTS:

1. (S/CL-1/NOFORN) Ultimate approval for the conduct of CENTER LANE activities within INSCOM rests with the Secretary of the Army. The Army General Counsel determined that the intelligence application of psychoenergetics constitutes human experimentation and, therefore, falls under the provisions of DoD Directive 5240.1-R. This paper will provide a summary of approval history of INSCOM's use of psychoenergetics to include DA Staff and human use procedures approval.

2. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) In May 1978, the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (ACSI), Department of the Army (DA) accepted lead responsibility for GRILL FLAME activities within the DA. Effective 14 January 1981, by approval of the Under Secretary of the Army, INSCOM became the only active operational GRILL FLAME element in the Army. Program management for GRILL FLAME was transferred to Commander, INSCOM effective 11 February 1981, while OACSI, DAMI-ISH was designated the focal point for policy matters and interface at the national level. INSCOM's intelligence applications of psychoenergetics were conducted under the GRILL FLAME Program until 30 September 1982 when Congress directed that DoD psychoenergetic activities could not be conducted within the NFIP. With the approval and knowledge of OACSI, CG, INSCOM decided to continue the command's

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psychoenergetic efforts under a new program nicknamed CENTER LANE. The effective implementation date of CENTER LANE was 3 December 1982. Overall responsibility for psychoenergetic activities within DoD resided with the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) from 1978 until 30 September 1982. DIA currently maintains an interest in the intelligence application of psychoenergetics. DIA has USDRE approval for the use of P-6 funds to continue psychoenergetic R&D efforts. Obligation to spend these funds is pending OACSI approval to allow them to be administered by the INSCOM CENTER LANE Project Manager.

3. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Human use has been an issue associated with CENTER LANE/GRILL FLAME activities since the program's inception. OACSI and DIA addressed the human use issue because the initial program management rested with OACSI and because DIA had overall DoD responsibility for the program. The following are key dates pertaining to human use issues:

a. 15 Feb 79 - Army General Counsel advised Project GRILL FLAME could be classified as one involving testing on human subjects.

b. 2 Apr 79 - The Surgeon General's Human Subjects Research Review Board (HSRRB) determined that remote viewing protocols were technology transfer and phenomenology validation of the technology transfer rather than research or clinical investigation.

c. 11 Jan 80 - HSRRB determined that remote viewing efforts did involve human experimentation, and that human use procedures and directives had to be followed. INSCOM complied with HSRRB recommendations.

d. 14 Jan 81 - Under Secretary of the Army approved continuation of GRILL FLAME activities UP Section 4, Procedure 18, DoD Directive 5240.1-R. Approval required because Army General Counsel determined that GRILL FLAME activities constituted experimentation on human subjects.

e. 17 Jul 81 - Army General Counsel recommended OACSI submit, at the beginning of each year for secretariat level review and approval, an inventory of all planned Army GRILL FLAME activity for the coming year.

f. 1 Feb 82 - Secretary of the Army approved continued Army participation in GRILL FLAME activities within INSCOM. Approval required to comply with Procedure 18, DoD Directive 5240.1-R.

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g. 4 Feb 83 - DACSI notified the Secretary of the Army of cessation of GRILL FLAME activities per Congressional directive, and CG, INSCOM decision to conduct a similar program within S&IA programs.

h. 1 Sep 83 - The Secretary of the Army approved Army continued participation in CENTER LANE activities within INSCOM with appropriate contractors in a cooperative effort with DIA.

4. (S/CL-1/NOFORN) The INSCOM CENTER LANE Project currently complies with Procedure 13, DoD Directive 5240.1-R in the conduct of its operations.

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